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E.O. 11652: NA
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SUBJECT: SAUDI FLEET EXPANSION AND REPORTED INTEREST IN AIRBUS
INDUSTRIE A-300 B

REF: ROME 11154

1. RCAA HAS BEEN INFORMED THIS WEEK BY TWO DIVERGENT SOURCES
(AIR FRANCE DIRECTOR GENERAL ITALY SEAN GOLHEN, G-E REGIONAL
MANAGER SOUTHERN EUROPE/MEDITERRANEAN COMMERCIAL AIRCRAFT
ENGINES HERBERT STEINDLER) THAT SAUDI SERIOUSLY EVALUATING
ACQUISITION FLEET OF TWENTY AIRBUS INDUSTRIE A-300 B'S TO MEET
HIGH-DENSITY DOMESTIC (JIDDA-RIYADH-DHAHRAN) AND REGIONAL
TRAFFIC REQUIREMENTS 1980-1985 (REFTEL PARA.2). ACCORDING
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STEINDLER, AIRLINE APPEARS INTERESTED IN A-300B VERSION
POWERED BY ROLLS-ROYCE RB211-524 ENGINES, OFFERING ENGINE
COMMONALITY WITH ITS L-1011-200 TRISTAR FLEET.

2. RCAA NOTES HIGHLY VIABLE COMPETITOR TO A-300 B ON SAUDIA'S
SPECIALIZED SHORTER-RANGE/HIGHER-DENSITY ROUTES WOULD BE
BOEING'S RECENTLY ANNOUNCED 200-SEAT 767-200 (OR

LOCKHEED-CALIFORNIA'S PROPOSED SHORTBODIED L-1011-400 TRISTAR).
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